

Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA)

ILLINOIS

FAST FACTS

International students contributed an estimated **\$869.2 million** to the Illinois economy in the 2009–2010 academic year.

Higher Learning

Illinois is ranked **#5** in the U. S. for the number of international students in its colleges and universities.

1. Univ. of Illinois-Urbana-Champaign 2. Illinois Institute of Technology 3. Univ. of Illinois-Chicago 4. Northwestern Univ. 5. Southern Illinois Univ.-Carbondale

Illinois universities with the most foreign students.

1. China 2. India 3. South Korea 4. Taiwan 5. Canada

Leading places of origin for foreign students in Illinois during 2009–2010.



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3,837 citizen diplomats in Illinois volunteered to host international students, scholars, and visitors in their homes and communities.

792 citizens of foreign countries participated in ECA's academic, youth, professional, and cultural exchange programs in Illinois.

411 Illinoisans participated in ECA's academic, youth, professional, and cultural exchange programs in foreign countries.

Notable ECA Alumni

Paul Samuelson

Nobel Prize in Economics, 1970 (*Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program* 1972; 1973)

Daniel J. Boorstin

Pulitzer Prize for History, 1974 (*Fulbright Lecturer* 1957; 1950)

Rosalyn Sussman Yalow

Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine, 1977 (*Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program* 1978)

David Herbert Donald

Pulitzer Prize for Biography or Autobiography, 1961 & 1988 (*Fulbright Lecturer* 1953)

James Dewey Watson

Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine, 1962 (*Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program* 1986; 1963)

Richard (Dick) Durbin

United States Senator from Illinois, 1997–Present (*American Council of Young Political Leaders* 1979)